

## House Resolution No. 773

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were truly saddened to learn of the death of lifelong Saint Louisan Antoine L. Gilkey on Friday, February 18, 2005, at the age of thirty-six; and

**Whereas**, Antoine Gilkey was born on March 17, 1968, into the loving family of Bertha Gilkey-Bonds and Emmett Gilkey; attended Patrick Henry Elementary School and Southwest High School; and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from Columbia College in 1990; and

**Whereas**, Antoine Gilkey professed his desire to follow Christ at an early age and was a past member of Lively Stone Missionary Baptist Church and a member of Temple of God Spiritual Church; and

**Whereas**, Antoine Gilkey served his local community and neighborhood as an educator with Saint Louis public schools and Normandy public schools, a Public Housing Leasing Agent, an Instructor at Fellowship Center Summer Camp, a Commissioner with the Saint Louis Housing Authority, and the President of Cochran Tenant Management Corporation; and

**Whereas**, Antoine Gilkey as a child stood hand-in-hand with his mother on picket lines fighting for equality in housing, employment opportunities, and economic development participation for minorities; and

**Whereas**, during his adult years Antoine Gilkey was involved in the collaborative effort between Washington University, Columbus Square, and Cochran that promises to give rebirth to the area through community redevelopment; and

**Whereas**, Commissioner Antoine Gilkey also was instrumental in initiating a Fair Housing Compliant action against the Saint Louis Housing Authority for failure to include Cochran Tenant Management in the redevelopment of Cochran Development; and

**Whereas**, Antoine Gilkey is survived by his beloved fiancé, Adrienne Litiskas; mother, Bertha Gilkey-Bonds; stepfather, Robert Bonds; sister, Yvette Gilkey-Shuford, and her husband, Ricky Shuford, Sr.; two nephews, Percy and Ricky, Jr.; and a host of other relatives:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of Antoine Gilkey and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to his family members, friends, colleagues, and neighbors who now miss his considerable strength, warmth, and light in their daily lives; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of Antoine Gilkey of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Sherman Parker  
District No. 12

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Representative Rodney R. Hubbard  
District No. 58

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Representative Amber (Holly) Boykins  
District No. 60

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Representative Theodore Hoskins  
District No. 80

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 773, adopted February 24, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker